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SUBJECT:OASGA - SECRETARY GENERAL ELECTION

USDEL NO. 8

1. THE SECRETARY GENERAL ELECTION DEADLOCKED AFTER 5 BALLOTS (GOMEZ BERGES OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - 12; ORFILA - 11, ONE BLANK BALLOT.) THE U.S. CAST BLANK BALLOTS THE FIRST 3 ROUNDS, BUT VOTED FOR ORFILA ON ROUNDS 4 AND 5. NEW CANDIDATES MAY NOW BE INTRODUCED. BALLOTING WILL RESUME SATURDAY MORNING.

2. GUATEMALA'S JORGE LUIS ZELAYA WAS ELECTED ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL ON FIRST BALLOT.

3. FOLLOWING STATEMENT MADE BY AMBASSADOR MAILLIARD AFTER THE BALLOTING:

QTE WE ABSTAINED ON THE FIRST THREE BALLOTS IN HOPES THAT A CANDIDATE WOULD GET BROAD SUPPORT. BUT AFTER THE RECESS IT BECAME  
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APPARENT THAT SOMEONE COULD WIN AND WE HAD

TO MAKE A CHOICE. SO WE VOTED FOR ORFILA

ON THE FOURTH AND FIFTH BALLOTS AS THE  
BETTER QUALIFIED OF THE CANDIDATES. OUR  
VOTE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE COUNTRY  
FROM WHICH THE CANDIDATES CAME. UNQTE KISSINGER

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